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RE: Finance Docket No. 35116, RJ Corman Railroad Co., Beech Creek Branch Line

Construction and Operation – between Wallaceeton and Gorton , Pennsylvania ;

Preliminary Consultation

Dear Ms. Rutson:

Although you are not soliciting public comment at this time, I feel it is important that you know the above

referenced request will serve a project that has encountered serious obstacles and fierce opposition. I believe any further study of this request is premature and wasteful of taxpayer funded resources. Consider the following:

- The application for the landfill this rail line would serve has been suspended since October 2006.
- The application for the quarry was deemed deficient in May 2007.
- There is no formal application submitted for a biofuels plant.
- There are four federal agencies on record that have identified environmental issues of concern regarding the project that would be served by this rail line.

If you continue to proceed with this RJ Corman request, it is imperative a full environmental impact statement be prepared in order to assess the environmental impact of this proposal *and* the project it will serve. I respectfully ask that you look at the effects this project may have on the Rails to Trails program which was forged to help preserve our wilderness while still providing ATV enthusiasts, bicyclists, and others a place to enjoy miles of trails without fear of prosecution. Rails to Trails has attracted people from all over Pennsylvania and neighboring states helping the economy of a small town without the damage or pollution that would come with a dump. Thank you for your attention to this very important matter.

Respectfully,

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